

GENERAL ORDER 61.3.1

Selective Enforcement

GENERAL ORDER CROSS-REFERENCE: None.

SUMMARY

Establishes a selective traffic enforcement program based on analysis of traffic accidents and traffic enforcement problem areas.

DISCUSSION

The Springfield Police Department strives to reduce traffic accidents and facilitate the safe and expeditious flow of vehicular and pedestrian traffic by encouraging the public's voluntary compliance with traffic regulations. To achieve this objective the Department has a selective enforcement program.

POLICY

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Traffic enforcement shall be concentrated in those areas experiencing a high frequency of traffic problems, complaints or accidents. Traffic unit officers shall concentrate their efforts on accident causing or hazardous violations.

II

Selective enforcement programs are based on specific criteria including:

1. Information obtained through the analysis of traffic accidents.
2. Information obtained through the analysis of traffic enforcement activities. This includes activities by all Department personnel conducting traffic enforcement.
3. Traffic volume and road conditions.
4. Traffic complaints from the community.

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